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October 29, 2013

Date Complaint Received:	9/26/13
Complaint Received By:	Angela Huntington
Provider Name and Location:	Kathryn Schaeffer and Kimberly Schaeffer, 510 Thomas, Marshalltown, IA 50158

Complaint: It was alleged that Kathryn hit a child in her care on the face without injury.

Rule Basis: Iowa Code 237A 110.5(6)a Discipline: Corporal punishment including spanking, shaking, and slapping is not used.

Findings: An unannounced visit was made to the home on October 3rd, 2013. Kathryn, Kimberly and Mike were present. Kathryn denied that she has ever physically injured a child in her care. She stated that when they do have to discipline they utilize time-out and talking. The Schaeffer's home was clean, the children were happy and well adjusted, and appeared to be bonded to their care providers. This is consistent with previous visits to the home.

Resolution: There was no sign of mistreatment to children by the Schaeffer family. There were a few items that need corrected on the spot check. These are addressed in the spot check letter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter feel free to contact me at 319-292-2419 or email address ahuntin@dhs.state.ia.us

Sincerely,

Angela Huntington
Social Worker